



National Transportation Safety Board Factual Data Collection Report of Accident

ANC10CA027

Aircraft Reg No: N2266G
Most Critical Injury: None

Location/Time

Nearest City/Place: Port Alsworth, AK
Occurrence Date: 03/18/2010
Occurrence Time: 1500 ADT

Flight Itinerary

Last Depart. Point: Soldotna, AK
Destination: Port Alsworth, AK

Aircraft Information

Type of Aircraft: Airplane (not Homebuilt)
Make/Model: Cessna / 182B
Serial Number: 51566
Landing Gear: Tricycle
Engine Type: Reciprocating
Engine Make/Model: Cont Motor / O-520 SERIES
Aircraft Damage: Substantial
Aircraft Fire: None

Operator Information

Registered Acft Owner: FURMAN RICHARD W
Operator of Aircraft: FURMAN RICHARD W
Operator Address: Boone, NC
Reg. Flt. Conducted Under: Part 91: General Aviation

Weather

Condition of Light: Day
Wx Cond. at Site: Instrument Conditions

First Pilot Information

Cert(s)/Rating(s): Commercial; Private; Multi-engine Land; Single-engine Land

Flight Time (Hours)

Instrument Ratings: Airplane
Medical Cert: Class 3
Date of Last Med. Exam: 06/2008

Total All Aircraft: 1700
Total Make/Model: 152

Injury Summary

	<u>Fatal</u>	<u>Serious</u>	<u>Minor/None</u>
Crew	0	0	1
Pass	0	0	1

Narrative

*** This investigation is based on information furnished by the Pilot/Operator. Additional details may be found in the Form 6120.1***

The accident airplane was the second of two airplanes, traveling as a flight of two, en route to a remote wilderness lodge in an area of mountainous terrain. The accident pilot stated that as the flight entered a mountain pass, the two airplanes became separated due to heavy snow showers. He said that visibility deteriorated to a point that it was difficult to discern topographical features while in the pass, and he elected to turn around. The pilot reported that during a descending left turn the airplane collided with an area of snow-covered up-sloping terrain, sustaining substantial damage to the wings, fuselage and empennage. The pilot said there were no preaccident mechanical problems with the airplane and that the airplane was recently equipped with a 406 MHz Emergency Locator Transmitter, which aided rescue crews in finding the accident site quickly.